

REMARKS

The remarks which follow are responsive to the initial Office Action mailed June 23, 2004. In that Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 19-20 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-6 and 10-15 of US Patent No. 6,036,315.

Traversal of Rejection of Claims 19-21 under the Judicially Created Doctrine of Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

In response to the Examiner's rejection of Claims 19-21 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over US Patent No. 6,036,315, Applicants have submitted a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.321(c). As such, Applicants respectfully submit that the submission of the terminal disclaimer overcomes the Examiner's rejection of Claims 19-21 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.

It is Applicant's belief that the presently claimed subject matter is not anticipated, suggested, or made obvious by the reference of record, and therefore that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, such action is respectfully requested.

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